

In the first stage, 400 Km. Expressway between Vadodara and Mumbai has been taken up for feasibility study. The remaining 600 Km. will be selected out of other high density corridors i.e. Delhi-Chandigarh (249 Km.) on NH-1 and NH-22, Bangalore-(Chennai (334 Km.) on NH-4, Delhi-Jaipur (261 Km.) on NH-8, Delhi-Meerut (66 Km.) on NH-58, Kolkata-Dhanbad (277 Km.) on NH-2 and Delhi-Agra (200 Km.) on NH-2, based on the prioritisation study being taken up by National Highways Authority of India.

Trans-shipment terminal at Vizhinjam

2534. PROF. P.J. KURIEN: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether security clearance has been given to the proposed international container trans-shipment terminal at Vizhinjam in Kerala;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) The Government of India has decided not to grant security clearance to the bidder proposed by the Government of Kerala for undertaking the project for the development of Deep Water International Container Trans-shipment Terminal at Vizhinjam in Kerala. It will not be in public interest to disclose further details.

Road projects in Jharkhand

2535. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of road projects under various programmes that had been under implementation in the State of Jharkhand as on 1st April, 2004;

(b) the details of projects executed out of the same till 31st October, 2006;